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In response to the Office Action of May 29, 2003, please add the following claims, with  
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59. An orthopaedic support for comfortably supporting the ankle comprising:  
an ankle support formed for fitting about the lower leg, having appropriate configuration to support the ankle;  
said ankle support comprising a substantially rigid outer shell and a molded pad for cushioning;  
said pad having an inner surface and an outer layer, said inner surface including resilient material therein formed in an open structure facing said outer shell for providing resilient support to the ankle;  
said pad having said outer layer for facing toward the ankle, and said inner surface providing varying deflection as the ankle applies force to said pad;  
said open structure of said pad being very flexible upon initial deflection of said pad by engagement by the ankle; and said open structure having firmness and increased resilient resistance upon further deflection of said pad by the ankle.

60. An orthopaedic support for comfortably supporting the ankle as defined in claim 59, wherein said open structure of said pad includes fingers which are initially compressed for flexible deflection, and also includes geometric cells providing firmness and increased resilient resistance upon further deflection.